



Governor Kim Reynolds
Lt. Governor Adam Gregg
San Wong, Director

Iowa Commission on the Status of Women

Gender Balance Law Discussion Pt.2

Virtual meeting

Wednesday, February 8 · 2:15 – 3:15pm

Present:

Beth Coonan, Sherill Whisenand, Andrew Lauver, Esperance Nibizi, Dr. William Fleming, Matthew Gilbert

Absent: Amy Ryan

Staff: San Wong, ex-officio, Kim Cheeks and Maria Guevara

Call to order: 12:01 p.m.

Approval of Agenda: Motion to approve agenda was made by Lauver seconded by Whisenand. Approved unanimously.

New Business: Gender Balance Summary

Lauver thought the statement written by Coonan discussing Bill SF 136 was good. Motions to approve seconded by Whisenand. Approved unanimously.

Commissioners discussed sharing statement with legislators to help decide on the gender balance laws currently in place. Whisenand motioned to approve seconded by Lauver. Approved unanimously. Coonan and Gilbert offered to reach out to some law makers individually to discuss the statement.

Director Wong shared at this time the department divisions are going to start having alignment meetings to discuss capturing their work in the realignment process. Director Wong invited anyone interested to come to DHR day. Additionally Mary Kramer, former Iowa State Senator and former U.S. Ambassador to Barbados and the Eastern Caribbean will be guest speaker. It was discussed Sonya Streit, Legislative Liaison will look at tracking Bill SF 136 for the commission.

March Meeting Conflict

Due to time conflicts with DHR day and other meetings on the same day. The meeting needs to be rescheduled. New polls will be sent to finalize.

Adjourn 2:50 pm

Prepared by Maria Guevara